

#### State of Washington

### DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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# **DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

Name of Proposal: PARKE CREEK RESTORATION GRANT

**Description of Proposal:** As part of the RCO Parke Creek Restoration Grant, WDFW Construction staff will perform road improvements on sections of the Parke Creek Road.

# Black Rock Culvert Removal:

Remove two perched culverts (24" x 20") at the intersection of Black Rock and Parke Creek, and replace with a hardened crossing. The creek runs through these culverts during high flow, but during low flow it runs in a side channel away from the culverts and close to the road. A hardened ford will be created at the culvert removal site and at the point on the side channel where the water currently crosses. In addition, there is a redundant road directly alongside the creek that will be blocked in 2 places with barrier rock (two 20' spans to be blocked).

## Parke Creek Fords:

Parke Creek is fish-bearing and the road is heavily used in spring when the creek is running and the road is muddy. Three fords (currently 30'-100' wide) need to be narrowed down to existing channel width (appx 15'-20') to minimize erosion and fish impacts. All have good rock base, but are starting to widen and carry water away from the channel.

#### Hill Climb Run-off Culvert:

A small blocked culvert designed to carry road run-off needs to be removed and replaced with a hardened crossing.

#### Hinman Seep:

A snowmelt drainage and a perennial seep are running down the middle of the road. Approximately six water bars will be installed to direct water off the road along a 300 ft section. Catch basins (3' x 3') will be dug to collect run-off from each water bar, reduce sediment delivery to the creek, and slow run-off velocity.

# **Proponent/Applicant:**

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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** Parke Creek – Kittitas County, Washington; Section 12,13, Township 18 North, Range 20 East and Section 5,7, Township 18 North, Range 21 EastWM

**Lead Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the

environment. Therefore, state law<sup>1</sup> does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.<sup>2</sup> We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **September 7, 2010** 

#### **Method of Comment:**

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

**Responsible Official:** Teresa A. Eturaspe

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <a href="http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/">http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/</a> Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law. \(^1\)

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Teresa Eturaspe at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

DATE OF ISSUE: August 23, 2010 SIGNATURE: Tuesa A. Clurayse

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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